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## **5 TIME PHOENIX FELON SENTENCED TO 174 MONTHS FOR POSSESSION OF STOLEN FIREARM IN A STOLEN TRUCK**

PHOENIX – Rick Allen Jones, age 40, of Phoenix, Ariz., was sentenced on Monday to 174 months in prison, followed by 5 years of supervised release, by U.S. District Judge Susan R. Bolton. Jones pleaded guilty to Felon/Armed Career Criminal in Possession of a Firearm on August 21, 2006.

During his guilty plea, Jones admitted that prior to this new offense he had the following 5 felony convictions: (1) Facilitation of Transfer of Dangerous Drugs for Sale or Transfer, in the Superior Court of Arizona, Pinal County, Case No. CR-14389, on October 3, 1988; (2) Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle, in the Superior Court of Arizona, Maricopa County, Case No. CR 94-08046, on October 19, 1994; (3) Armed Robbery, Superior Court of Arizona, Maricopa County, Case No. CR 95-07611, Count I, on January 17, 1996, (Jones admitted that he had carried a handgun during this robbery on July 22, 1995); (4) Armed Robbery, in the Superior Court of Arizona, Maricopa County, Case No. CR 95-07611, Count VI, on January 17, 1996, (Jones admitted that he had carried a handgun during this robbery on July 25, 1995); and (5) Armed Robbery, in the Superior Court of Arizona, Maricopa County, Case No. CR 95-09421, on January 17, 1996, (Jones admitted that he had carried a handgun during this robbery on July 20, 1995). Jones further admitted that on October 9 through 10, 2005, he knowingly possessed a Colt, Model King Cobra .357 Magnum, revolver. At the time of this offense, Jones was found by a Scottsdale Police Department officer seated, alone, in the driver's seat of a pick-up truck, parked in a hotel parking lot, in Scottsdale, Arizona, late at night. As the officer attempted to speak with Jones, he fled the area. The Colt revolver was found under the driver's seat of the truck by the officer and Jones later admitted that he had placed the gun there prior to his contact with the officer. Prior to the officer's attempted contact with Jones, both the truck and the revolver had been independently reported stolen by their current owners.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and Scottsdale Police Department. The prosecution was handled by Frederick A. Battista, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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